



FIVE CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT ARE AVAILABLE

- General Automotive Collision Repair
- Automotive Collision Repair Structural Damage
- Automotive Refinishing
- Automotive Refinishing Multi-Coat and Custom Paint
- Automotive Damage Appraisal and Management

***ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREE IS ALSO AVAILABLE**

*GENERAL AUTOMOTIVE COLLISION REPAIR CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

- AB 151 Non-Structural Repair (4.5 Units)
- AB 154 Advanced-Design Panel Repair (4.5 Units).....
- AB 156 Non-Structural Automotive Welding (2 Units)
- AB 161 Preparation and Spot Refinishing (3 Units)
- AB 161L Automotive Refinishing Lab (1.5 Units)
- AB 181 Non-Structural Damage Estimating (3 Units)

Total Certificate Requirement 18.5 Units

AUTOMOTIVE REFINISHING CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

- AB 151 Non-Structural Repair (4.5 Units).....
- AB 161 Preparation and Spot Refinishing (3 Units).....
- AB 161L Automotive Refinishing Lab (1.5 Units).....
- AB 163 Production Refinishing (4.5 Units).....
- AB 165 Mixing and Adjusting Color (2 Units).....
- AB 181 Non-Structural Damage Estimating (3 Units).....

Total Certificate Requirement 18.5 Units

AUTOMOTIVE DAMAGE APPRAISAL AND MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

- AB 151 Non-Structural Repair (4.5 Units)
- AB 181 Non-Structural Damage Estimating (3 Units)
- AB 182 Structural Damage Estimating (3 Units)
- AB 183P Computerized Damage Estimating–Pathways (1.5 Units).....
- AB 183U Computerized Damage Estimating–Ultramate (1.5 Units).....
- AB 188 Introduction to Automotive Claims Handling (2 Units).....
- AB 281 Structural Damage Analysis for Estimators (1 Unit).....
- AB 282 Steering, Suspension, and Powertrain Analysis for Estimators (1 Unit).....
- AB 283 Advanced-Frame Analysis for Estimators (1 Unit).....

Total Certificate Requirement 18.5 Units

AUTOMOTIVE COLLISION REPAIR STRUCTURAL DAMAGE CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

- AB 151 Non-Structural Repair (4.5 Units)
- AB 152 Structural Damage Repair (4.5 Units)
- AB 153 Steering, Suspension, and Powertrain
Damage (4.5 Units)
- AB 155 Structural Panel Replacement (4.5 Units)
- AB 157 Structural Automotive Welding (2 Units)
- AB 181 Non-Structural Damage Estimating (3 Units)

Total Certificate Requirement 23 Units

AUTOMOTIVE REFINISHING MULTI-COAT AND CUSTOM PAINT CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

- AB 151 Non-Structural Repair (4.5 Units).....
- AB 161 Preparation and Spot Refinishing (3 Units).....
- AB 161L Automotive Refinishing Lab (1.5 Units).....
- AB 162 Overall and Multi-Coat Refinishing (4.5 Units).....
- AB 164 Automotive Air Brush Painting (2.5 Units)
- AB 166 Lettering, Striping, and Design (2.5 Units).....
- AB 167 Automotive Custom Painting (2 Units).....
- AB 181 Non-Structural Damage Estimating (3 Units)

Total Certificate Requirement 23.5 Units



STUDENT SUCCESS STORY

Paola Perez

Certificates: Automotive Collision Repair, Automotive Refinishing, and Automotive Damage Appraisal and Management



With the help from a counselor at Cerritos, they were able to find a similar program in Cal State Dominguez that Cal State Long Beach was no longer offering.

Have any faculty/staff members helped you in your educational journey?

All the faculty there helped me out. Bob Asperen was the department chair at the time, Darlene Hagenbach, Charlie Robertson and Tony Chisum. They were all so helpful and taught me so much while I was attending the program.

What about your program has helped you succeed?

I want to say everything about Cerritos College has been so instrumental to my success. Cerritos was able to give me the foundation that I needed to get my foot in the door. The fact that Cerritos had multiple different automotive programs that helped me become well-rounded in the industry and helped my resume stand out from the others.

What are/were your plans after college?

My ultimate goal was to become a body shop technician but after working at the dealership as an apprentice technician, I soon realized that I wanted to be an estimator instead. I already had my Certificate and AA in automotive Collision Repair and started to take some extra courses to start my transition from technician to estimator. After that I went back to Cerritos College to complete my transfer units to work towards my Bachelor's degree through Cal State Dominguez.

Any advice to a new student?

I believe that Cerritos College is the best place to go get your education or to further advance your education. There is a need in to the automotive industry that Cerritos Colleges programs have. It's the better option to go get your career started while still being cost-effective and very instrumental to the student's educational path.

What made you come to Cerritos College and why?

I always had an interest in automotive because my father owned a radiator/muffler shop for thirty years and I was always around cars growing up. I even took some automotive classes in high school. After graduating I started to look into some local automotive programs and Cerritos College popped up and had one of the top programs around. I immediately applied to Cerritos to start in Fall 2007.

Were there challenges you had to overcome to attend?

I was attending college during the recession and always felt the pressure of having to work. I started as a full-time student for my certificate and then decided that I wanted to further my education by getting my AA and transferring out. I started to work part time and became a part time student. Another challenge that I had face was multiple colleges started to downsize their programs due to the recession.

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Technology

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